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## TOWN AFFAIRS.

### Town Attorney Instructed to Enforce Ordinance Requiring Water Connections Against Those Who Have Failed to Comply—Request Refused for Suspension of Ordinance Requiring Buildings to be Moved off of Elm Street Line—Bills Audited and Other Matters.

The regular monthly meeting of the town commissioners was held Tuesday night and some business of considerable interest was transacted.

The sanitary inspector reported the following named people as having refused to comply with the sanitary ordinance requiring water connection within 200 feet of water and sewer lines: A. P. Caldwell, A. W. Prevatt (agent for Mrs. Pitman), S. McIntyre, R. C. Lawrence, Thos. N. Higley, and Miss Belle Higley. The town attorney was instructed to proceed with the enforcement of this ordinance.

An application was read from Mr. W. I. Linkhaw asking permission to erect a wooden shed on his lot facing Chestnut street, for the use of country people for hitching purposes. This petition was refused and it was ordered that the board adhere to the ordinance as it now stands in regard to building within the fire limit. Col. Jas. T. Morehead of Greensboro, with Mr. Geo. M. Whitfield, appeared before the board in the interest of Mrs. J. W. Griffith of Greensboro, requesting that the board suspend, until her present lease expires, the ordinance pertaining to the removal of all property along Elm street which is now partly located upon the sidewalks of the town of Lumberton. Upon motion of Mr. W. J. Prevatt, seconded by Mr. H. B. Jennings, this petition was refused, and the ordinance as it now stands was sustained.

The license tax for box ball was fixed at \$5.00. Messrs. Geo. G. French and W. J. Prevatt were appointed a committee to secure safe to keep the books and records of the town in, as the one which it now owns is too small. It was ordered that suitable house be provided at the light and water plant for the protection of the feed water heater and purifier. The chief of police was instructed to advertise for sale all real estate within the corporate limits of the town of Lumberton, upon which the taxes for the year 1910 have not been paid.

The following bills were ordered paid: One half expense of putting down pump in court house yard, \$11.25; W. Lennon, work for board, \$15.00; W. I. Linkhaw, wagon tongue, \$2.50; L. H. Caldwell, supplies, \$214.93; Kingsdale Lumber Co., lumber for fire house, 294.72; W. W. Whaley, making plate for map of town limits, \$4.00; White Oak Coal Co., coal, \$220.82; Caldwell & Carlyle, supplies, \$46.15; The Observer Printing House, books for the clerk and Treas., \$54.00; J. R. Steele, setting granite curbing, etc., at court house, \$69.80; Frederick Disinfectant Co., disinfectant, \$52.50; W. H. Humphrey, premium on insurance policy for power house, \$26.19; Tower Binford Elec. & Mfg. Co., supplies, \$71.50; Carolina Electrical Co., supplies, \$68.73; Dresden Cotton Mills, waste, \$1.75; L. G. Crenshaw & Co., coal, \$47.74; Fostoria Incandescent Lamp Co., \$35.20; General Fire Extinguisher Co., \$17.56; Acme Brick Co., 1,000 brick, \$7.50; Harrisonburg Foundry & Machine Co., \$20.00 Total \$1,281.04.

## 100,000 Persons Die In Floods.

Hankow, China, Sept. 4.—The American mission at Wuhu has received a report that 100,000 persons have been drowned by the floods caused by the water flowing over the banks of the Yangtze river.

The floods are the worst that have been experienced in many years.

It is estimated that more than 95 per cent. of the crops have been destroyed.

"I suffered habitually from constipation. Doan's Regulents relieved and strengthened the bowels, so that they have been regular ever since."—A. E. Davis, grocer, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

## RURAL LETTER CARRIERS.

### Meeting of Robeson County Association Held in Lumberton—Subjects Discussed—Best Meeting Ever Held in County—Another Meeting January 1.

Reported for The Robesonian.

The Rural Letter Carriers Association of Robeson county met in Lumberton Monday. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mr. J. S. Humphrey. After calling the roll and reading the minutes of last meeting the following subjects were discussed by the carriers:

"Is there any use in having a rural carriers association in Robeson county?" C. H. Howard and C. D. Williamson handled this subject well and proved to the meeting that there was. "Is it possible for a rural carrier to do his duty and not belong to the association and get what he can from the different subjects discussed?" This subject was discussed by C. R. Hester, postmaster at St. Paul, E. L. Odum, Pembroke, C. H. Howard and W. H. Howard, St. Paul. "Have the postmasters of Robeson county been as strict on the rural carriers as they should have been? If not, why? Have the carriers familiarized themselves with the postal laws and regulations as to the laws and change in laws that are taking place each month?" C. H. Howard and J. S. Humphrey handled the first part of this subject well, and proved that they were not and that in a good many cases the postmasters were to blame for it by not knowing their duty themselves. The last part of the subject was discussed by C. R. Hester, postmaster, St. Paul, and R. O. Edmund, assistant postmaster, Lumberton, who showed the carriers that they were not doing their duty in this respect.

A vote of sympathy was extended to J. S. Humphrey, president of the association, in the death of his sister Mrs. J. W. Boone; also a vote of sympathy was extended to E. B. Hayes, secretary and treasurer of the association, on account of the serious illness of his wife, who has been in a hospital for several weeks.

It was decided by the association that a meeting be held January 1st, 1912, in which all the postmasters of the county are expected to be with us and help us to benefit the service. C. H. Howard and J. S. Humphrey were appointed a committee to see that all rural carriers were here on that date. Mr. C. R. Hester was appointed to organize the postmasters for that meeting.

The meeting was the best ever held in the county and did more good toward building up the service. We wish to thank all the newspapers in the county for giving us notice through their columns of our meeting. We wish also to thank the Industrial & Commercial Club of Lumberton for the use of its magnificent club room, which was so kindly tendered to us for our meeting place.

## Graded School Opens Next Tuesday.

As has been stated in The Robesonian, the fall term of the Lumberton graded school will begin Tuesday of next week, the 12th. Supt. Sentelle has arrived and is ready for work and the teachers will begin to come in tomorrow and all will be here by the opening day. It is important that every child enter the first day.

## Regular Monthly Meeting of County Road Board.

At the regular monthly meeting of the county road commissioners Monday a number of petitions were presented for new roads but none of them were granted, and the regular routine bills were passed. Owing to the fact that the secretary of the board has not had time to write up his minutes it is not possible to give a detailed report of the meeting.

## Not a Word of Scandal

marred the call of a neighbor of Mrs. W. P. Spangh of Manville, Wyo., who said: "she told me Dr. King's New Life Pills had cured her of obstinate kidney trouble, and made her feel like a new woman." Easy, but sure remedy for stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Only 25c at all drug-gists.

## THE COUNTY'S BUSINESS.

### Reward of \$200 Offered for Person or Persons Who Made Murderous Assault on J. G. Tolar—\$400 of County Fund Appropriated to County Bridge Fund—Special School Tax Elections Ordered—Commissioners Meet Tomorrow to Settle With Sheriff.

At the regular monthly meeting of the county commissioners Monday the following business was transacted:

The regular pauper list was allowed. John and Frances Biggs, paupers, were given an increase of \$1 each per month, and Irene Wilson was placed on list at \$2.50 per month. Alex Pouncy was placed on list for \$1.50 per month, and Sallie Walters was given an increase of \$1 per month.

The following bills were ordered paid: F. J. Mears, keeping county home for month of August, \$104; W. H. Humphrey, work and expense as county assessor, \$280.22; Auditor A. T. Parmele, salary, \$216.66; Lumberton Drug Co., medicine for county, \$44.55; M. L. Marley, burial of pauper, \$5; Clark Bridgers, for 3 pecks peas sown on court house square, \$1.50; Dr. B. W. Page, hookworm treatment, \$117.34; A. Nash, work on index, \$50; W. P. Barker and J. F. McKay, expenses as delegates to the State Association of county commissioners at Asheville, \$22 and \$19.80 respectively; T. N. Higley, work for county, \$7.40; Town of Lumberton, lights for court house and jail for months of July and August, \$42, and 11.50 for light globes used in court house; J. D. McMillan, medicine, 75 cents; Wm. Davis, work on stock-law fence, \$6; Kelly Johnson, conveying prisoner to jail, \$3.25; C. B. Skipper, work for county, \$25; H. Morrison, plowing court house square, \$4.50; Walter Stubbs, burial of pauper, \$5; K. M. Biggs, supplies, \$10; Sheriff E. C. McNeill, expense bills, \$36.69; J. H. Floyd, keeping jail for month of August, \$140.70; Freeman Printing Co., printing, \$12.50; M. B. Emanuel, burial of pauper, \$5; H. R. West, half of bill for putting down pump on court house square, \$9—the other half of same being paid by the town.

It was ordered that the costs in the case of Robert McNair, amounting to \$18.05, be allowed and that \$9.03 of same be paid, the balance to be settled by the State.

It was ordered that a reward of \$200 be offered for the apprehension and evidence sufficient to convict the person or persons who made an assault on J. Gray Tolar Saturday night, September 2, this reward not to apply to the two prisoners in jail on suspicion at the time of the order.

It was ordered that the board borrow \$3,000 from the Bank of Rowland and \$1,000 from the First National Bank, payable December 1st, with interest at 6 per cent after maturity.

Treasurer M. G. McKenzie was instructed to appropriate \$400 from the county fund and credit same to county bridge fund to be used by the road board of commissioners as required by law.

Treasurer McKenzie's monthly report was received and ordered filed.

Petitions were received asking for special school tax elections for districts, No. 5 Thompson township, Indian, and No. 7, Howellsville township. The petitions were granted and the elections ordered to be held October 12th. For district No. 5, E. Lowrey was appointed registrar and W. A. Bowen and H. H. Lowrey judges of election, and the amount to be voted on is 30 cents on property and 90 cents on the poll. District No. 7 will vote on 20 cents on property and 60 cents on the poll and D. F. Allen was appointed registrar and J. S. Currie and Edward Kinlaw judges.

The commissioners will be in session again tomorrow for the purpose of settling with the sheriff. Under the former law this settlement had to be made at the meeting on the first Monday in September, and Sheriff McNeill has been ready and after the commissioners for a settlement for some time, but

## COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS

### Some Book Depositories Recommended—Boundaries Between Bloomingdale and Barnesville Districts Determined—Allowances for Various Purposes and Bills Paid.

The county board of education was in regular monthly session Monday.

When funds are available it was ordered that \$500 be allowed district 5, White House township, provided the committee purchase a site and build a school building, the cost of both not to be less than \$2,500, and Supt. J. R. Poole was authorized to assist in locating site and to approve plans and contract for house. Application to State loan fund for \$1,000 for this district was approved.

The following districts were allowed the specified amounts, when funds are available, provided each district furnish an amount equal to the amount allowed by the board: No. 2, Wishart's, \$150 for building purposes; No. 1, Indian, White House, \$100, provided patrons complete building; No. 4, Indian, Pembroke, \$150 for building L to old building and the school committee of this district allowed \$150 of the special tax fund to complete building; No. 2, colored, \$16 for purchase of school desks; No. 1, Raft Swamp, \$112.50, and the patrons are allowed to move away the part of the building once used as "Alliance" hall, provided district contribute \$112.50 and complete building; No. 6, Howellsville, \$30 for purchase of school desks; No. 1, Red Springs, \$73.50 for purchase of school desks.

Supt. Poole was instructed to investigate purchase of school house for district 6, colored, Maxton township. The stores of M. L. Marley at Lumber Bridge and the Grantham Drug Co. at St. Paul were recommended to the State Superintendent as depositories for public school books. Petitions were approved for special school tax elections from district 5, Indian, Thompson's, and district 7, Howellsville. These are mentioned in connection with the report elsewhere in this paper of the meeting of the county commissioners on the same day, elections having been ordered. School committeemen were appointed as follows: Robt. French, Alex Fulmore and J. H. Kaneer, district 3, colored, Lumberton; Hugh M'White, district 3, St. Paul; Johnson and Harvey McNeill, district 1, colored, Thompson's.

Supt. Poole and Prof. M. Shepherd, appointed a committee to lay off boundaries between Bloomingdale and Barnesville school districts, reported the following boundaries laid off, the report being accepted: Beginning in the original line in Indian swamp; D. B. Lewis' line, thence up Indian swamp to the land line between Owen Ward and R. Brumble, thence with Ward's upper line to Miles Johnson's upper line, thence with Miles Johnson's line to Haynes Johnson's upper line, thence with Haynes Johnson's line about south to the public road leading from Sterling's mill to Bethesda church, so as not to transfer Wm. Walters, Jno. Walters and E. T. Lewis to Barnesville district 5, Sterling's township.

The following bills were ordered paid: Freeman Printing Co., printed matter for board, \$11.50; Edwards & Broughton, minute books for board, \$10.90; J. F. McLean, services as registrar and poll holder in special tax election, \$14; J. D. McMillan & Son, two files for superintendent's office, \$1; J. B. Bowen, shelves for superintendent's office, \$1.62; Rufus Kinlaw, holding special tax election, \$12.

under the new law it is not necessary to turn the books over until the first of October, so that a settlement may be made at any time during this month. It takes a day to go over all this business and a separate day has been set apart for it.

Mrs. D. E. Maxwell of Jacksonville, Fla., and Miss Rosa Murchison of Charleston, S. C., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, Chestnut and Eight streets. They arrived Tuesday night.

## Mrs. Jas. Collins Becomes the Bride of Mr. J. D. Barfield.

Reported for The Robesonian.

Mrs. Jas. Collins and Mr. J. D. Barfield were married last evening at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride, Seventh and Willow streets, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. M. Fleming.

Most prominent among those present were Miss May Campbell, sister of the bride, Mrs. T. W. McHargue, Mrs. J. C. McKay, Mr. Harry M'White and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Reel Sanderson and Mr. Alex Sessoms. Miss Campbell and Mrs. McHargue served as maid of honor and mistress of ceremonies, respectively, making the occasion one of delightfulness. After the ceremony most delicious cake and ice cream were served and all present had a genuine good time. Mr. and Mrs. Barfield will continue to reside in Lumberton, where Mr. Barfield is conducting a grocery business.

## Farmers' Union Passes Resolutions in Regard to Disposing of Cotton and Cotton Seed.

A meeting of the Robeson county division of the Farmers' Union was held in Lumberton Monday and it was one of the best meetings in point of attendance and interest ever held. A resolution was passed to the effect that no Union members will dispose of cotton seed for the next 60 days for less than 50 cents the bushel or in exchange for meal ton for ton. Another resolution recommends selling just as little cotton as possible for the present and that cotton be kept in the seed and away from the gin as much as possible. It was decided that a bureau of information be established in Lumberton to keep farmers posted as to the price of cotton and seed.

## Revival Meetings.

A series of evangelistic meetings will begin with the Beulah Baptist church, Wishart's township, next Tuesday, at 4:30 p. m., and at East Lumberton the 3rd Sunday night. Rev. Thomas J. Baker of Parkton has been engaged to do the preaching in both of these meetings and a treat is in store for all who shall be fortunate enough to hear him, as he is one of the very best preachers in the land. Everybody cordially invited to attend. J. M. Fleming, Pastor.

## Superior Court Next Week.

A one-week's criminal term of Robeson Superior Court will convene Monday of next week. Judge H. W. Whedbee of Greenville, who made an exceedingly favorable impression on those who attended his first court here, will preside. There are about 100 cases on the docket, one of them a capital case.

The new plate-glass front of the Pope drug store is almost completed and the new fixtures are being installed. The all-glass showcases and other fixtures are beauties. When the glad furniture is in place and the equally glad front is completed this store is going to be quite "citty."

Mr. Rexford Stephens, who clerked for several months for County Treasurer M. G. McKenzie, began work Tuesday as bookkeeper for the McAllister Hdw. Co., succeeding Mr. Allen Bond, who left the first of the month to accept a position in his home town, Petersburg, Va. Mr. G. S. McKenzie is in the office with his father, Treasurer McKenzie, again.

Prof. R. E. Sentelle and two daughters, Misses Helen and Evelyn, returned yesterday from Mr. Sentelle's farm near Waynesville, where they spent the summer. Mrs. Sentelle and the other two children will not return until the last of this month or first of next. Mr. Sentelle is making arrangements for the opening of the graded school Tuesday and he hopes to be ready for the start on that day. He and his two daughters are stopping at the Waverly hotel at present but expect to rent or buy a home before Mrs. Sentelle returns. Mr. Sentelle sold his home last spring to Mr. Jno. T. Biggs.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

—There will be preaching Sunday morning and evening at the East Lumberton Baptist church, Rev. J. M. Fleming, pastor.

—Some unusually fine pictures will be shown at the moving picture show tonight. Tomorrow night there will be music by the orchestra and Miss Lucile Jones will sing, Miss Leslie Proctor accompanying her on piano.

—Mr. J. G. Tolar, the victim of the murderous assault at McDonald last Saturday night reported in Monday's Robesonian, is at the Thompson hospital here and is improving. He is gradually regaining consciousness.

—Mr. James Galloway has accepted a position to assist in the cotton department of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings cotton mills. He will begin work on the 10th. Mr. Galloway is a son of Capt. D. W. Galloway, of Fairmont.

—Mr. K. E. Sentelle, for a number of years with the Asheville Citizen, who was appointed the other day private secretary of Congressman Gudger, of the tenth district, is a brother of Supt. R. E. Sentelle, of the Lumberton graded school.

—An electric sign flashing upon the sidewalk at one's feet is something new for Lumberton. The one Messrs. White & Gough have been flashing in front of their store, bearing the legend "If you trade elsewhere we both lose," is attracting much attention.

—This is taken from a news letter from St. Paul which must be held over for Monday's paper on account of the crowded condition of the paper today: "The St. Paul Hdw. Co. is serving hot coffee and biscuit this week and giving away a set of ware with every Majestic range sold this week."

—Mr. A. E. Howard, formerly of St. Paul but who has lived in Athens, Ga., for about five years, was in town yesterday. He arrived at St. Paul Tuesday, leaving Athens Monday. Mr. Howard says that he thinks he will make St. Paul his future home. He is a son of Mr. G. M. D. Howard, of St. Paul.

—Mrs. Octie Durham Thomas of Durham arrived Tuesday and will keep house for her cousin Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, and care for his three little girls, whose mother died a few months ago. Mrs. Thomas is a sister of the late Rev. Dr. Columbus Durham, who preceded Rev. Livingston Johnson as corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Mission Board.

—Mr. R. S. Sledge returned Monday evening from Danville, Va., where he went about three weeks ago in response to a message announcing the illness of his infant daughter. Mrs. Sledge and children have been visiting at Danville for something over a month and they will not return until the condition of the baby is better. Mr. Sledge says that he thinks the condition of the child is improving, but it is very sick yet.

—A barbecue and basket picnic is being held at Tar Heel today. Mr. O. L. Clark of Clarkton and others will make speeches on good roads. A special train was scheduled to leave St. Paul at 10:30 this morning, arrive Tar Heel at 11, leave Tar Heel at 5 this afternoon, making connection with passenger train to Lumberton. The editor appreciates "Blue Eyes" invitation and while he cannot attend the local man is enjoying the hospitality of the Tar Heel folk.

—Mr. Isaac Spivey and his son, Mr. Wingate Spivey, who live near Holmesville, S. C., were Lumberton visitors Tuesday. Mr. Spivey senior is nearly 93 years old and is a most interesting character. He was born and raised within ten miles of Lumberton and with the exception of 7 years has spent his life within ten miles of his birthplace. He gave The Robesonian an interesting account of his life and this will be given Robesonian readers in Monday's issue; the paper is too crowded to admit of publishing it, as was intended, today. Mr. Spivey is an uncle of Mr. A. E. Spivey of Lumberton.